

CITY OF TUCSON

Office of the Mayor

ROBERT E. WALKUP

April 19, 2004

Chairman Marc Spitzer
Arizona Corporation Commission
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Dear Chairman Spitzer:

Memorial urging the Arizona Corporation Commission to increase the commitment to renewable energy resources and pursue cost-effective energy efficiency

The subject memorial was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the City of Tucson, Arizona, on April 19, 2004. Enclosed you will find a copy of the memorial for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Robert E. Walkup

Mayor

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Enclosure: Memorial

## ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

April 19, 2004

## A MEMORIAL

RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PORTFOLIO STANDARD;
REQUESTING AN INCREASE IN THE PERCENTAGE OF ELECTRICITY
THAT SHOULD BE PRODUCED USING RENEWABLE SOURCES OF
ENERGY; AND URGING THAT THE ARIZONA CORPORATION
COMMISSION SHOULD PURSUE COST-EFFECTIVE ENERGY
EFFICIENCY OPPORTUNITIES.

TO: THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION.

YOUR MEMORIALIST RESPECTFULLY REPRESENTS AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS the City of Tucson (City) supports renewable energy and energy efficiency through its policies and actions;

WHEREAS the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) is reviewing its Environmental Portfolio Standard (EPS) rules and Demand Side Management (DSM) policies in workshops and other proceedings:

WHEREAS the ACC recently increased the renewable energy percentage in the existing Environmental Portfolio Standard rule to 1.1% by 2007 and is considering other revisions;

WHEREAS the City has implemented renewable energy projects supported by the Environmental Portfolio Standard and is receiving the benefits of the renewable energy projects;

WHEREAS the City has also implemented cost-effective energy efficiency and demand-side management projects that have provided energy and cost savings for the City; and

WHEREAS there are large amounts of renewable energy resources available in Arizona and many of these renewable resources, such as wind energy and landfill gas, are cost effective compared to conventional generation.

NOW, THEREFORE, YOUR MEMORIALIST, THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUCSON, ARIZONA, PRAYS:

SECTION I. The ACC should increase the commitment to renewable energy resources by implementing a Renewable Portfolio Standard of 15-20%, to be achieved by 2020, in addition to the existing EPS.

SECTION 2. The ACC should pursue cost-effective energy efficiency opportunities by implementing energy savings and peak demand reduction goals, with energy efficiency programs and adequate funding to achieve the goals.

Funding for energy efficiency programs should be set at a level to assist customers, including local governments, to capture cost-effective energy efficiency.

SECTION 3. In its deliberations, the ACC should consider and move toward efficient and effective administration of these programs, including a thorough consideration of independent administration and a cap on administrative funds.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall send a copy of this Memorial to each member of the ACC.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TUCSON, ARIZONA, April 19, 2004

MAYOR

**REVIEWED BY:** 

ATTEST:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

**CITY ATTORNEY** 

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